

STAFF NOTES

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief July 15, 2003

	ITEM	SUBMITTED BY
1.	OHIO BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES	PLANNING SECTION
2.	CINCINNATI MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 714, LITTERING, TITLE V: TRAFFIC CODE 501, DEFINITIONS AND SECTION 508-1A, UNAUTHORIZED STOPPING AND PARKING REVISED	PLANNING SECTION
3.	THANK YOU LETTERS	CHIEF'S OFFICE
4.	COMMENDATION	CHIEF'S OFFICE

1. OHIO BUREAU OF MOTER VEHICLES

The Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) has two new initiatives that will affect Department staff. They are 1) the Limited Authority Deputy Registrar (LADR) program and 2) the new digital "flat" plate design.

Under the LADR pilot program, certain county clerks of court offices, including Butler County, are authorized to transfer license plates from a vehicle sold or traded-in to a newly purchased vehicle OR to sell a new set of license plates to the vehicle owner in conjunction with the titling of a motor vehicle.

Instead of regular license plates, the clerk of courts will be issuing an Ohio Temporary Plate Permit, which will be printed on 8.5" x 11" white plain paper with black letters. The registration application numbers will be printed on the Ohio Temporary Plate Permit. The permit is to be displayed in the rear window of the motor vehicle. The registered owner will also have an Ohio Temporary Plate Permit letter which they can present to a law enforcement agent upon request. In addition, law enforcement can use LEADS to conduct a registration check using the numbers appearing on the Ohio Temporary Plate Permit. A sample letter and permit are attached.

In August 2003, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles will begin issuing "flat" license plates. The "flat" plates will be produced by a new digital technology that will allow the capability to print the alpha/numeric combination and the logo directly on the sheeting. The following plates will be "flat" plates: City, County, State, Government, Disabled Veteran, Former POW, Volunteer Rescue, Civil Air Patrol, Logo Plates (organizational and collegiate), Personalized and Initial Reserve.

The bicentennial design will not change. However, there are a few minor changes to look for. The alpha/numeric combination will not be embossed and the county number may be printed directly on the plate. Samples of the digital "flat" plate are attached.

If you have any questions or concerns you can contact the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles at 614-752-7600.

2. CINCINNATI MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 714, LITTERING, TITLE V: TRAFFIC CODE 501, DEFINITIONS AND SECTION 508-1A, UNAUTHORIZED STOPPING AND PARKING REVISED

Attached to these Staff Notes are three revised Cincinnati Municipal Code sections. Section 714-99, Penalties has been amended to increase the penalties for Section 714-7, Upsetting Public or Private Receptacles, Section 714-3, Litter in Public Places, Section 714-13, Littering by Operators of Occupants of Motor Vehicles and Section 714-19, Litter in Parks.

Title V Traffic Code 501, Definitions has been amended to include the definition of a *Crosswalk*. Section 501-C6, Curb Ramp has been created to define a Curb Ramp and Section 508-1A, Unauthorized Stopping and Parking has been amended to prohibit the blocking of curb ramps.

Officers are expected to enforce violations of these sections.

3. THANK YOU LETTERS

<u>Attached</u> to these Staff Notes are several thank you letters written to the Police Chief for the professionalism displayed by numerous officers in our Department.

COMMENDATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 07/14/03-07/21/03

POLICE SPECIALIST PATRICK MURRAY DISTRICT ONE

On June 13 and 14, 2003, Police Specialist Patrick Murray and his canine partner "Jake (an Explosive Detection Canine)", competed in the "Muncie Police Department- Vohne Liche Kennels K-9 Olympics." Specialist Murray and his partner Jake took 1st Place in "Explosive Detection-Buildings." Specialist Murray and Jake competed against nine other bomb dog teams from across the country. They were the only team to find all five of the explosive device aids used in competition. This is a special credit to Specialist Murray and Jake since they have been working together for just over a year. Police Specialist Patrick Murray and Jake are deserving of this commendation and is a reflection of their hard work, training, dedication to duty, and professionalism.





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OHIO TEMPORARY PLATE PERMIT





TEMPORARY PLATE PERMIT

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Attention Law Enforcement Officials:

The Registrar of the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles has authorized issuance of a temporary plate permit to the above registrant to extend driving privileges while license plates are being manufactured. The registrant receives this letter and a permit to display in the rear window. This permit expires on the date listed above.

Attention Vehicle Owner:

Remove license plates or 30 day tag from your vehicle. Display the OHIO TEMPORARY PLATE PERMIT, in plain view, in the rear window of your vehicle until you receive your plates and/or registration card and validation sticker. Remove the permit when you receive the new set of plates and/or registration card and validation sticker. Keep this letter until your plates errive. You must present this letter to a law enforcement official upon request.

Note: This permit expires on the date listed above. If you have not received your items two weeks before the above expiration date:

- A. If you purchased your plates from a local Deputy Registrar, you must contact the deputy that sold you the plates, for assistance. Issuing agency telephone number 1 (614) 752-7728
- B. If you purchased your plates by mail, contact the Registration Division of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles in Columbus (614) 752-7800, 1-800-589-TAGS, for assistance. Do not contact this office if plates were obtained locally.

FRANKLIN R. CALTRIDER REGISTRAR

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Document # : 200307041 Calendar Date: 06/25/2003

Description : ORDINANCE, (EMERGENCY), submitted by Councilmember Cranley, on 6/23/2003, modifying the Cincinnati Municipal Code by amending Chapter 714 and specifically Section 714-99, "Penalties", to provide that a violation of Section 714-7, "Upsetting Public or Private Receptacles", shall be a misdemeanor of the first degree, and that violations of Sections 714-3, "Litter in Public Places", 714-13, "Littering by Operators or Occupants of Motor Vehicles" and 714-19, "Litter in Parks", shall be misdemeanors of the third degree.

Sponsors : LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Status : PASS EMERGENCY

Final Disposition PASSED EMERGENCY

ORD/RES # :0235-2003

Document # : 200306965 Calendar Date: 06/25/2003

Description : ORDINANCE "submitted by Valerie A. Lemmie, City Manager, on June 18, 2003, supplementing the provisions of Title V, Traffic Code, of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by amending Section 501-1-C3 so that the definition of "Crosswalk" includes the path between two curb ramps; by enacting new Section 501-C6, Curb Ramp; and amending Section 508-1A, Unauthorized Stopping and Parking, to prohibit the blocking of curb ramps."

Sponsors : LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Status : PASS

Final Disposition

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ORD/RES # :0236-2003

Tity of Cincinnati An Ordinance No. 0235 -2003

MODIFYING the Cincinnati Municipal Code by amending Chapter 714 and specifically Section 714-99, "Penalties", to provide that a violation of Section 714-7, "Upsetting Public or Private Receptacles", shall be a misdemeanor of the first degree, and that violations of Sections 714-3, "Litter in Public Places", 714-13, "Littering by Operators or Occupants of Motor Vehicles" and 714-19, "Litter in Parks", shall be misdemeanors of the third degree.

WHEREAS, Council has determined that quality-of-life issues are important factors in making the City of Cincinnati a welcoming community for its citizens and its visitors; and

WHEREAS, maintaining litter-free walkways, streets and roadways, and other public areas is an important way to address one particular quality-of-life aspect of the community; and

WHEREAS, by increasing the penalties for violations of the City's littering ordinances, Council hopes to encourage stricter adherence to the standards of a clean Cincinnati, and declare the importance of its quality-of-life programs; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Cincinnati Municipal Code is modified by amending Section 714-99 of Chapter 714 to read as follows:

Sec. 714-99. Penalties.

A violation of Section 714-7 of this chapter is a misdemeanor of the first degree. A violation of Section 714-3, 714-13 or 714-19 of this chapter is a misdemeanor of the third degree. A violation of any other provision of this chapter is a minor misdemeanor if it is a first offense **1**, and a misdemeanor of the fourth degree if it is a second offense.

If an offender of Section 714-35, 714-37 or 714-39 has been previously convicted of violating Section 714-35, 714-37 or 714-39 of this chapter, **2** the offender is guilty of a misdemeanor of the **3** first degree.

Section 2. That Section 714-99 currently in effect is hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this ordinance is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, welfare and safety and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to implement the higher penalties, to curb the blight of littering in Cincinnati.

Passed: June 25, 2003

Mayor

Attest:

Active Clerk

New wording underscored. Language deleted is indicated by asterisks as follows:

1 A first offender is eligible to pay his fine out pursuant to a schedule posted with the clerk of the Hamilton County Municipal Court.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ORDINANCE NO. 235

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Clerk of Council

SUPPLEMENTING the provisions of Title V, Traffic Code, of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by amending Section 501-1-C3 so that the definition of "Crosswalk" includes the path between two curb ramps; by enacting new Section 501-C6, Curb Ramp; and amending Section 508-1A, Unauthorized Stopping and Parking, to prohibit the blocking of curb ramps.

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Americans With Disabilities Act, the City of Cincinnati has constructed numerous ramps which enable those people using wheelchairs to use the City's sidewalk system; and

WHEREAS, due to street alignment, telephone poles, and other factors these ramps are, on occasion, outside the parameters of standard City sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, presently there is no prohibition against parked vehicles blocking access to curb ramps; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Section 501-1-C3 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, Crosswalk, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 501-1-C3. Crosswalk.

"Crosswalk" shall mean:

- (a) That part of a roadway at intersections ordinarily included within the real or projected prolongation of property lines and curb lines or, in the absence of curbs, the edges of the traversable roadway.
- (b) Any portion of a roadway, at an intersection or elsewhere, distinctly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines or other markings on the surface.
- (c) If the city engineer or city traffic engineer authorizes curb ramps which are outside the crosswalk established by subsection (a) but within fifteen feet of the crosswalk, the crosswalk shall be

extended to encompass the pathway between two opposite curb ramps.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions there shall not be a crosswalk where the city manager or person designated by the city manager has placed signs indicating no crossing.

Section 2. That new Section 501-C6 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, Curb Ramp, is hereby ordained to read as follows:

§ 501-C6. Curb Ramp.

"Curb Ramp" shall mean a slant ramp which cuts through a curb sloping from a sidewalk to a street, consisting of a stable, firm and slip resistant surface, and is designed to enable a wheelchair to traverse from the sidewalk to the street.

Section 3. That Section 508-1A of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, Unauthorized Stopping and Parking, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 508-1-A. Unauthorized Stopping and Parking.

No person shall stand or park a vehicle except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or with the provisions of the traffic code or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or a traffic-control device, in any of the following places:

- (a) On a sidewalk, except a bicycle, or except as provided in Section 506-63;
- (b) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic-control signal;
- (c) Within 25 feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station and on the side of a street opposite the entrance to any fire station within 75 feet of said entrance when properly signposted;
- (d) Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant;

	(e)	In front of a public or private driveway;		
	(f)	Upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;		
	(g)	Within 20 feet of the curbline of an intersecting roadway;		
	(h)	Within 50 feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing; **1**		
	(i)	Within one foot of another parked vehicle; and **2**		
	<u>(j)</u>	In front of a curb ramp.		
Section 4. That existing Sections 501-C3 and 508-1A of the Cincinnati Municipal Code are hereby repealed.				
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Section	n 5. Th	at this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and at the		
earliest period	allowe	ed by law.		
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		Mayor		
Attest:		Clerk		
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ATTACHMENT I – SKETCH OF MODIFIED CROSSWALK BUILDING RIGHT OF WAY (RW) STORMWATER INLET UTILITY POLE OR SIGNAL POLE NORMAL CROSSWALK BEHIND EXTENDED RW LINE

MODIFIED CROSSWALK

WHERE OBSTACLES PREVENT CURB RAMP INSTALLATION IN THE NORMAL CROSSWALK, THE CITY ENGINEER AND CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER MAY ALLOW THE MODIFICATION OF THE CROSSWALK LOCATION. MUNICIPAL CODE REVISION IS PENDING.





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July 1, 2003

Chief Thomas H. Streicher, Jr. Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Chief Streicher:

We have just concluded our promotion process for the rank of sergeant. During that process you allowed Lt. Larry Powell to participate as an assessor in the process.

I want to thank you for allowing this officer to assist with our promotion process. As you know, one of the most important functions in the police department is the promotion process. Your representative was very professional and did an excellent job of helping with our processes.

If we can be of service to you in your promotion processes, or in any other way, please let us know. Please convey our sincere appreciation to Lt. Powell.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Brockelsby Director Human Resources Division Cincinnati Police Department District #3 Attention Captain Raabe:

Dear Captain Raabe,

I would to commend one of your officers, Officer Darrick Johnson on how he handled an arrest at my place of employment. I am the Co-Manager of the Westwood Kroger's. On Sunday, July 6, 2003, an employee made us aware of a shoplifter. As she was attempting to exit the store, Officer Johnson and myself stopped to talk with her. When we had discovered she had taken a pack of cigarettes, she began yelling and screaming. Calmly Officer Johnson asked her to go up to the manager's officer. She continued to yell, jump around like a child in the office. The entire time Officer Johnson remained calm and professional, even though this lady was putting on quit a show. When I advised Officer Johnson I wanted her arrested for theft, he attempted to place handcuffs on her. When he tried to put the handcuffs on the first hand she pulled away and began screaming. She pulled away and he said, "mam, please put your hands down." She pulled her left arm away as he began to place the second handcuff on it. He continued to remain calm and finally got them on the lady who was very uncooperative.

Although your officers deal with this on a daily basis, this lady in my opinion was very volatile and even made myself nervous. Officer Johnson should be commended on his fine performance, in which he remained calm, courteous, and professional the entire time.

It is a pleasure to work along side Officer Johnson as well as have him patrol the streets of my community. Can you please make sure that this doesn't fall on deaf ears and the Officer Johnson is commended on his fine performance. Officer Johnson is a tremendous asset to your department and to our community.

Sincerely yours,

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Jeffrey D. Milton

Co-Manager

Westwood Kroger #310

2435 Harrison Ave.

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Hamilton County Association of Chiefs of Police

Charles R. Lindsey, President

Office (513) 367-3715 Fax (513) 367-3713

Mike Laage Vice-President

Date: July 2, 2003

To:

From:

Matt Fruchey Treasurer

Chief Thomas Streicher

Steve Moeller Secretary

Chief C.R. Lindsey

Subject: Letter of Appreciation

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the efforts of two of your officers. Lt. Joe Hall and Specialist Bill Mineer were an invaluable asset to me in the completion and submission to the FBI of a comprehensive crime survey for Hamilton County. Their technical expertise, professionalism and rapid response with assistance is greatly appreciated. I wish to commend them for their tenacity and cooperation in the furtherance of law enforcement excellence through cooperation between local and federal law enforcement. The Cincinnati Police Department's reputation for excellence is only enhanced by the efforts of yourself and your officers.

Sincerely,

Charles R. Lindsey

President, HCACP



City of Philadelphia

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

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July 7, 2003

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr. 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45210

Dear Colonel Streicher, Jr.:

I would like to extend my thanks to you for permitting Captain Daniel Gerard to come to Philadelphia during the week of June 23, 2003, to participate as an assessor in the oral examination process for Police Lieutenant. Captain Daniel Gerard demonstrated a significant level of expertise and professionalism while participating in our assessment process, and contributed to its overall success.

I hope that Captain Daniel Gerard enjoyed his experience as a participant in this important endeavor. Once again, I would like to express my appreciation, and thank you for your assistance in supporting this important public service.

Sincerely yours

Mark O'Connor

Uniform Team Hiring Manager

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July 7, 2003

Captain James Whelan Commander Cincinnati Police Division District One 310 Ezzard Charles Dr. Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Jim:

The difference that the new policing practices in downtown Cincinnati have made are obvious to me as I walk everywhere.

A year ago, the downtown streets were loaded with disorderly gangs of young male black teenagers who were intimidating others by their behavior. They were loud, boisterous, disorderly, rude and their demeanor implied a physical threat to others.

This July as I walk downtown, I encounter groups of young male black teenagers who are well-behaved, orderly and polite. This tells me that the officers of District One have effectively communicated with the teenagers that there is a standard of behavior in downtown that is acceptable and there is a standard of behavior in downtown that is unacceptable. The youngsters are on their own opting for the acceptable pattern of behavior. This is a great educational task that your people have accomplished.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Manley

cc: Col. Thomas Streicher, Jr.

2240 NEEB ROAD, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45233 922-5776

July 7, 2003

Chief of Police Thomas H. Stricker 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Chief Stricker:

We own two buildings on Dayton Street, one at 823 and one at 825. On July 2, 2003 your Violent Crime Squad, responding to many complaints from the neighborhood, executed a search warrant at 819 Dayton Street. 10 arrests were made.

I wish to thank Sergeant Timothy Fritz for listening and passing on my complaints, Officer Ken Bader of Operation Street Corner, Officer Koweslski and the other member of the Violent Crime Squad and Officer Howard Fox of the Vice Unit for their untiring efforts on our behalf.

Hopefully this will give us some peace on Dayton Street. If there is any possible way to seize 819 Dayton Street, please do so. This is the second recent raid on this property and the owners were part of the arrest.

Again I wish to thank those officers who worked diligently for us.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Jaeger

JOHN H. MONAHAN Police/Fire Chief BERNARD E. BORATEN Village Manager

Amberley Village

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July 2, 2003

Col. Thomas Streicher Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Col. Streicher,

I want to thank you and several members of your Department for the assistance they rendered us on Monday June 30, 2003.

On June 30, 2003 at about 6:52AM, an Amberley resident, out for her morning walk, discovered a body lying partially in the creek bed of a wooded area that runs along Section Road. near Elbrook Avenue in Amberley Village.

Our officers responded and immediately took action to protect a possible crime scene. Our Detective arrived and immediately put a call in to the Cincinnati Homicide Section. Sgt. Rudy Gruenke returned the call and made your resources available to us. Sgt. Gruenke responded to our scene along with two of your criminalists, Police Officer E. Robert Carpenter and Barbara J. Mirlenbrink.

Officers Carpenter and Mirlenbrink assisted with the processing of the crime scene and Sgt. Grueneke assisted with his expertise and knowledge. He also made himself available to Detective Norton for anything he may have needed. All officers were completely professional and exceptionally knowledgeable.

When a situation arises as this one in a small community with limited resources, it is always reassuring to know that the Cincinnati Police Department is available to assist in any way needed.

Once again thank you and a special thanks to all three of the above officers.

John H. Monahan Chief of Police/Fire

AMBERLEY VILLAGE, OHIO



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Clermont County Sheriff's Office



July 2, 2003

Col. Thomas Streicher, Jr. Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Dr. Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Chief Streicher:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the Cincinnati Police Department's participation in our recent T.I.G.E.R. course. The men under Lt. Doug Ventre's command went above and beyond providing valuable instruction to our participants. If not for the expert training provided by the Cincinnati Police Department our course would not have been a success. The students traveled from all over the country for this tactical course. The course critique overwhelmingly cites the Officer's input as paramount to the positive experience of the class.

I am most impressed by the cooperation demonstrated by the Cincinnati Police Department. I have been in public safety for 27 years and have never seen such teamwork and interagency cooperation. You and your men are to be commended. Cincinnati can be proud it has such fine Officer's protecting them. We are fortunate to work with such professionals and look forward to your participation in 2004.

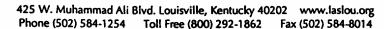
Sincerely,

TASK FORCE ONE

Otto J. Huber Fire Chief

Tactical EMS Coordinator

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Dennis E. Bricking Executive Director July 3, 2003

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Col. Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Col. Streicher:

I am an attorney who works with children involved in the juvenile justice system as delinquent or status offenders. Many of these children, due to their treatment needs, end up in out-of-home placement. One of my clients from Louisville had been placed in a home in Covington, Ky. He ran away one day last week, but on Tuesday evening, called his grandmother from Cincinnati, wanting to come home.

Without the assistance of your communication department, the boy might not have been found. I wanted to write and thank your people for their assistance in finding him. The communication department (I am embarrassed to say that I did not get the gentleman's name) located the pay phone used by the young man to call his grandmother and sent a car by to see if the boy was still there. They found him there and transported him to the Lighthouse Shelter where his father picked him up.

Too often people do not get the recognition that they deserve for a job well done. I didn't want that to happen in this case. Thank your people for me.

Rita J. Ward, Attorney

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